

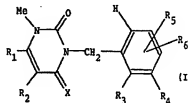
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New 1-methyl-3-benzyl-6-haloalkyl-uracil derivatives - useful as pre- or post-emergence, total or selective herbicides and as desiccants or defoliants, especially for cotton (Ger)

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Substituted 1-methyl-3-benzyl-6-haloalkyl-uracil derivatives of formula (I) and their salts and enol ether derivatives are new.



reactant (IX)

**X = O or S:**

R<sub>1</sub> = 1-4C haloalkyl;

$R_2 = \text{H or halogen;}$

$R_3 = H, \underline{CN}, \underline{CNS}$ , halogen, 1-4C haloalkyl, 1-4C haloalkoxy or 1-4C haloalkylthio;

R<sub>4</sub> = H, CN, CNS, halogen, 1-4C alkyl, 1-4C haloalkyl, 1-4C alkoxy, 1-4C haloalkoxy, 1-4C haloalkylthio or alkylaminocarbonyl;

$R_5 = (i) H, CN, NO_2, OH, NH_2, \text{halogen, 1-4C alkylamino (optionally)}$

substituted by 1-4C alkyl, (1-4C)alkylcarboxyl (sic) or (1-4C)alkoxycarbonyl, haloalkoxy or haloalkylthio; or

(ii) alkoxy, alkylthio, cycloalkoxy, cycloalkylthio, alkenyloxy, alkenylthio, alkyloxy, alkylthio, alkylcarboxyloxy, alkylcarboxylthio, alkylcarboxonylthio, alkenylcarboxyloxy, alkenylcarboxylthio, alkenylcarboxonylthio, alkenylcarboxonyloxy, alkenylcarboxonylthio, alkylsulphonyl or alkylsulphonyloxy (all optionally substituted by 1-3 of

(a) halogen, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, OH, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, alkenyloxy, alkynyloxy, alkoxyalkoxy, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl and 1-6C alkylideneamino;

(b) phenyl, phenoxy or phenylsulphonyl (all optionally substituted by 1-3 of halogen, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, alkyl, alkoxy and haloalkyl);

(c) 3-7 membered heterocyclyl or heterocyclyl oxy (both optionally substituted by 1-3 of halogen, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, alkyl, alkoxy, haloalkyl and alkylcarbonyl); and

(d) COR<sub>1</sub>, COOR<sub>1</sub>, COSR<sub>1</sub>, CONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub>, OCOR<sub>1</sub>, OCOOR<sub>1</sub>, OCONR<sub>1</sub>, OCONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub> or NR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>7</sub> = H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxyalkyl, alkoxy carbonylalkyl, alkenyloxy carbonylalkyl, phenyl or phenylalkyl (where phenyl moieties are optionally substituted by 1-3 of halogen, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, alkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy and alkyl carbonyl):

R<sub>3</sub> = H, OH, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxy carbonyl alkoxy, alkenyl or alkenyloxy; or

NR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>8</sub> = 3-7 membered heterocycle (optionally substituted by 1-3 of halogen, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, alkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy and alkylcarbonyl)

R<sub>4</sub> = (1) OH, SH, haloalkoxy or haloalkylthio;

(2) alkoxo, alkylthio, cycloalkoxo, cycloalkylthio, alkoxymethoxy, 5,7C cycloalkenylmethoxy, alkenealkyl, alkynylalkoxy, alkynylthio, alkylcarboxyalkoxy, alkylcarbenethio, alkoxyalkylcarboxyalkoxy, alkylcarboxyalkoxy, alkylcarbenethio, alkylcarboxyalkoxy, alkylmethylcarboxyalkoxy, alkylsulfonyl or alkylsulfonylalkoxy [all optionally substituted by 1-4 groups selected from groups (a)-(d) given in R<sub>2</sub> (i)] (except that the Ph, PhO and PhSO<sub>2</sub> in (b) may additionally be substituted by alkylcarboxyalkoxy, =O, =N-OR<sub>20</sub>, -CR<sub>2</sub>(R<sub>1</sub>)-N=OR<sub>20</sub> and SiR<sub>3</sub>(R<sub>1</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); or

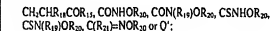
(3) -CY(R<sub>1</sub>)-CR<sub>2</sub>(R<sub>1</sub>)-CR<sub>2</sub>(R<sub>1</sub>)(Z<sub>1</sub>), -C(R<sub>1</sub>)(R<sub>1</sub>)-C(R<sub>1</sub>)-Q, -CHR(R<sub>1</sub>)CH(R<sub>1</sub>)COR(R<sub>1</sub>), COOR(R<sub>1</sub>), -C≡C-NHOR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NHOCOR(R<sub>1</sub>)OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NSiH<sub>3</sub>OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NSi(R<sub>1</sub>)OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NSi(R<sub>1</sub>)OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NSi(R<sub>1</sub>)OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-NSi(R<sub>1</sub>)OR<sub>20</sub>, -C≡C-Q';

R<sub>30</sub>-R<sub>32</sub> = alkyl or 2-6C alkenyl;

 $Z_1 Z_2 = 0$  or  $S$ :
$$Q = \text{CN}, \text{COR}_{15}, \text{CH}_2\text{COR}_{15}, -\text{C}(\text{R}_{16})=\text{C}(\text{R}_{17})\text{COR}_{15}$$

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Q' = heterocycle of formula (a):

 $Q^* = 0$  or  $S$ :

Alk = 1-3C alkylene (optionally substituted by alkyl):

R<sub>11</sub> = H, CN, alkyl, haloalkyl, 2-6C alkenyl, 2-6C alkynyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxyalkyl or alkoxy carbonyl:

R<sub>12</sub>, R<sub>13</sub> = alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or alkoxyalkyl; or

R<sub>12</sub>+R<sub>13</sub> = 2-4 membered hydrocarbon chain which (i) is saturated or unsaturated, (ii) is optionally substituted by =O, (iii) optionally has one member (not adjacent to Z<sub>1</sub> or Z<sub>2</sub>) replaced by O, S or N (iv) is optionally substituted by 1-3 of CN, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>2</sub>, halogen, alkyl, 2-6C alkenyl, alkoxy, 2-6C alkenyloxy, 2-6C alkynyloxy, haloalkyl, cyanoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl.

alkenylalkyl, alkynylalkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkoxy, COOH, alkoxyacetyl, alkoxyalkenylalkyl and phenyl (itself optionally substituted by 1-3 of C, NO, NH, halogen, alkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy and alkoxyalkenyl) and (v) optionally has 1 or 2 members forming part of a 3-7 membered ring (optionally containing 1 or 2 of O, S, N and N(alkyl) as heteroatom(s) and optionally substituted by 1 or 2 of C, alkyl, 2-6C alkanyl, alkoxy, enoalkyl, haloalkyl and alkoxyacetyl);

R<sub>1</sub> = H, CN, halogen, alkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy, alkylcarbonyl or  
alkoxycarbonyl;

R<sub>13</sub> = H, OR<sub>22</sub>, SR<sub>22</sub>, alkyl (optionally mono- or disubstituted by alkoxy), 2-6C alkenyl, 2-6C alkynyl, haloalkyl, cycloalkyl, alkylthioalkyl, alkylthioalkoxy, NR<sub>22</sub>R<sub>24</sub> or phenyl (optionally substituted by 1-3 of CN, NO<sub>2</sub>, halogen, alkyl, 2-6C alkenyl, haloalkyl, alkoxy and alkoxycarbonyl):

$$R_{22} = 25 R_{10}$$

R<sub>23</sub>, R<sub>24</sub> = H, alkyl, 2-6C alkenyl, 2-6C alkynyl, cycloalkyl, haloalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl-(2-6C)alkenyl (optionally substituted in the

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Enamine ester and enamine carboxylate intermediates of formulae (III) and (IV) (see 'Preparation') are also new.

USE

(i) are herbicides and plant desiccants/defoliants (all claimed). They are useful (i) as total herbicides or (at lower application rates) as selective herbicides for combating grassy and other weeds in crops such as wheat, rice, maize, soya and cotton, (ii) as desiccants for drying the above-ground parts of crops such as potatoes, rape, sunflowers and soya to facilitate mechanical harvesting : (iii) for promoting abscission of fruit or (iv) for controlled defoliation of useful plants, especially cotton (claimed).

Application rate is 0.001-3.0 (preferably 0.01-1.0) kg/ha, pre- or post-emergence.

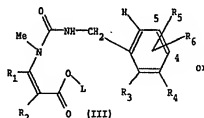
## ADVANTAGE

(I) have stronger herbicidal activity against undesirable plants than related known compounds.

## PREPARATION

The following processes are claimed:

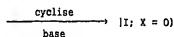
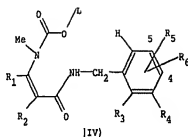
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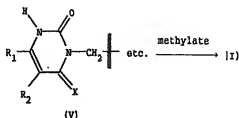
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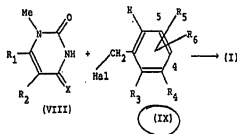
L = alkyl or phenyl.

(b)



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(c)

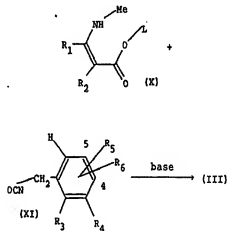


Reaction is in presence of base, or (VIII) is used in alkali metal salt form.

#### STARTING MATERIALS

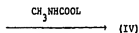
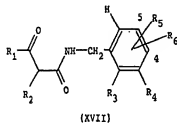
(III) and (IV) are prepared e.g. as follows.

(a)



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(b)



#### EXAMPLE

A solution of 1.8g 3-(2,3-dichloro-4-isopropoxybenzyl)-2,4-dioxo-1H-6-trifluoromethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine in 50 ml DMF was treated with 0.7g K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and 0.7g MeI, stirred for 18 hrs. and treated with 150 ml ice-water. The solid product was isolated to give 1.4g of 3-(2,3-dichloro-4-isopropoxybenzyl)-2,4-dioxo-1-methyl-6-trifluoromethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine (Ia), m. pt. 167-168°C.

#### BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

(Ia) at 3.9 and 7.8 g/ha post-emergence showed good selective herbicidal activity against *Abutilon theophrasti*, *Amaranthus retroflexus* and *Solanum nigrum* in wheat. (RMH) (117pp2400DwgNo.0/0)  
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